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### MEETING MINUTES<sup>1</sup>

**Meeting Date:** September 5, 2002  
**Meeting Time:** 1:00 P.M.  
**Meeting Place:** State House, 200 W. Washington St.,  
Room 130  
**Meeting City:** Indianapolis, Indiana  
**Meeting Number:** 2

**Members Present:** Rep. Jonathan Weinzapfel, Chairperson; Rep. Ron Herrell; Rep. Richard Mangus; Rep. David Wolkins; Sen. Beverly Gard; Sen. Kent Adams; Sen. Lindel Hume; Sen. Vi Simpson; Gary Reding; Randy Edgemon; Mayor James Trobaugh; Art Smith, Jr.; Ellen Tobias; William Hayden; Kerry Manders; Lori F. Kaplan; Sandra Miles.

**Members Absent:** Mayor William Goffinet.

Representative Jonathan Weinzapfel, Chairperson of the Environmental Quality Service Council (EQSC), called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

The chairpersons of the following gave brief status reports:

Water Infrastructure Finance Subcommittee  
Wetlands Quality Workgroup  
Wetlands Restoration Incentives Workgroup  
Wetlands Statutory Authority Workgroup

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Lori Kaplan, Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), provided the IDEM Commissioner's Report (Handout #1) to the EQSC. The report included the following information:

- \*An overview of IDEM outreach, education, and assistance programs from July 1 through July 31, 2002
- \*Fee collections
- \*Permit report cards
- \*Permit charts
- \*Selected news releases from July 1 through July 31, 2002
- \*Handouts for IDEM fees presentation
- \*Handouts for storm water presentation
- \*Handouts for hazardous air pollutant rule and five-year strategy presentation
- \*Financial reporting on Environmental Management Permit Operation Fund

Ms. Kaplan made the IDEM fees presentation as outlined in Handout #1. Discussion ensued with EQSC members concerning the appropriate share of the IDEM budget to be supported by permit fees, use of permit fee revenue in program areas in which the fees are generated, impact of increased fees on those who pay them, the potential impact of increased fees on municipalities, and potential curtailing of IDEM services.

Patrick Bennett, Director of Environmental Affairs, Indiana Manufacturers Association (IMA) presented the results of an IMA environmental permit fee increase survey (Handout #2).

Jim Williams, American Waterworks Association (AWA), commented that the AWA supports increased drinking water fees, that the water rate increase should be allowed without a rate case, and that resultant revenues should be used for drinking water initiatives.

Lori Gates, IDEM Storm Water Coordinator, and Tim Method, IDEM Deputy Commissioner, made the IDEM storm water presentation as outlined in Handout #1.

Rick Wajda, Director of Governmental Affairs, Indiana Builders Association (IBA) expressed the concerns of the IBA with respect to the potential impact of Rule 5, particularly the effects of the proposed change in application from five acres to one acre.

Bill Pedke, Brad Sterchi, and John Elpers of the Southwest Indiana Builders Association commented on Rule 5 as outlined in Handout #3.

Tonya Galbraith, Legislative Director, Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT), expressed the concerns of the IACT with respect to the potential impact of Rule 13, and provided information on IACT's plan to respond to the challenges of NPDES Phase II (Handout #4).

Janet McCabe, IDEM Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air Quality, made the IDEM hazardous air pollutant rule and five-year strategy presentation as outlined in Handout #1.

Representative Weinzapfel adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.